

And. A.

April 20

Göttingen, 16 March, 61.

My Dear N. Asa Gray,

As to-morrow I am going to New, I write only a few lines, to acknowledge the receipt of the 75 copies of the pl. *Brightiana*, and of two letters. You propose to take half of your outlay of 8 dollars on yourself, but I cannot accept this, but shall pay this sum to Mr. Köhlig together with the money due to Mr. Fischer, which is the chief subject why I write this in haste. After several vain attempts to sell the two bundles of his Venezuela plants, I have now so far succeeded, that Gartling in his quality as keeper of our universities herbarium has taken part of them, and I shall take the rest, including the *Melastomaceae*. There is however a small difference in the numbering of the specimens, which Gartling and myself did jointly, viz. 365 (instead of 376, as given in Fischer's handwriting on the envelope). As soon as I get the money, I shall pay 36 1/2 American dollars on your account to Mr.

Köding, and I hope that Mr. Feulner
will be satisfied. Quastling has a particular
interest for Cyperaceae and allied ~~monocotyledonous~~
orders: are there disposed of by Feulner?
I suppose, Wendland gets the palms.

The Rubiaceae were pointed lately, and if
the 4th fascicle is given out, you will see,
that on *Leopodium* I made the same
observation as you wrote me, and had
consequently separated this genus from *Linco-*
naea. I am glad of this coincidence.

Just now I have finished *Geubiamaea*,
in which there are 2 very interesting plants
in Wright's plants, the *Convolvulus umbellatus*,
which bears a new genus (*Geubiamaea*,
instead of the intended *Laminaria* genus) and
a plant, allied to *Lisianthus* with single,
long peduncled, aestivation flowers and a very
protruded involucre: could I get another
flower as had enclosed in your next letter?
You will easily find it, I cannot give
the number, as my insects are packed for
my journey. It is a little between *Lisianthus*
and *Lisianthus umbellatus*, I have named it
provisionally *Zonanthus*.

Ever yours cordially,
M. Schlecht.